

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A lithographic printing method forming a uniform layer of a hydrophobic substance on the entire surface of a printing plate precursor  
5 having a titanium dioxide-containing surface layer, by irradiating the surface of the precursor with active light to form imagewise hydrophilic areas to make a printing plate, said active light is far-ultraviolet light having a wavelength of 250 to 320 nm.